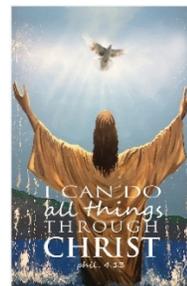


St. Patrick's Elementary School

Newsletter



November 2019
2850 Quebec St. Vancouver



UPCOMING EVENTS

Every Wednesday is a 2:30 p.m. dismissal due to staff meeting. Please pick your children up promptly.

Every Friday school begins at 8:15 a.m. with a school mass.

- ☺ **Mon. Nov 4 Photo Retakes**
- ☺ **Thur. Nov 7 Remembrance Day Service led by grade 7 10:45 am**
- ☺ **Fri. Nov 8 No School**
- ☺ **Mon. Nov 11 No School**
- ☺ **Mon. Nov 18 No Uniform (students may wear Fall Colors)**
- ☺ **Wed. Nov 20 9:15 a.m. Mass**
- ☺ **Fri. Nov 22. No School**
- ☺ **Wed. Nov 27 Communicating Student Learning 1 to parents. Parents must pick up the reports at the end of the day from the classroom.**

STAY INFORMED

Please refer to our school website

www.spev.ca

for newsletters, calendars and classroom bulletins.

Dear Parents,

The month of November is an important time of remembrance. We begin first with All Saints Day on November 1st followed by All Souls' Day on November 2nd. These special Days celebrate and honor all the saints worldwide who have entered heaven. It is a Holy Day of obligation, where we as Catholics attend mass. All Souls Day allows us to offer prayers to those who have died, but have not yet reached heaven.

November 11, Remembrance Day, marks the anniversary of the official end of World War I in 1918. This is a Memorial Day, observed by countries within the Commonwealth, to remember the service people in the armed forces who served in the battle for good over evil.

We wear poppies proudly in memory of those who have fallen during war times and also for those that survived and continue to battle the effects that war has had on them. While it is recognized as a holiday, it is a day for families to reflect on the sacrifices that service people courageously endured for the good of the world and this great country Canada.

Thank you to our armed forces, thank you for your dedication and commitment to our nation!

The theme for all the schools in the Catholic Independent Schools Vancouver Archdiocese (CISVA) this year is "I Can Do All Things Through Christ".

This month's bulletin board will be completed by our grade 7 class. Stay tuned to see how they Can Walk In The Power Of The Holy Spirit.

Thank you to our parent helpers who have helped prepare the hot dogs for walk-a-thon and halloween. They were delicious!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Volunteer –Criminal Record Review

We have now successfully enrolled and are registered with the Criminal Record Review Program (CRRP).

Parents job:

1. Come into the office to complete the 'Volunteer Consent To A Criminal Record Check' document.
2. Bring in your primary and secondary I.D. so we can verify it.
3. Complete the checklist on the Cover Page.
4. Fill in your personal information on the application form.

The office will verify your identification and will submit the criminal record check on your behalf.

In House Policy (reference SPEV Parent Handbook pg. 25)

A reminder to parents that after 3:20 p.m. (2:50 p.m. Wednesdays) students must report to the office to call home if they have not yet been picked up. Any students who are picked up late 3:30 p.m. or 2:30 p.m. on Wednesdays are asked to have their guardian sign the "Late Pick-Up Book" at the front office and will be charged a fee of \$1.00 per minute. If you are unable to pick up your children at the regular dismissal time, please consider the After-School Club as an option for your child's supervision and safety.

NOVEMBER FUNDRAISING FOR CHARITIES

This month we will be working towards helping two charities in downtown Vancouver; The Agape Street Ministry and the Archdiocesan Men's Hostel.



FAREWELL

A member of our Saint Patrick's team, Ms. Andrea Young the grade 4 teacher, will be leaving us on November 5th. While her time was short here, she was a great colleague and a fine educator who was able to build deep connections with her students.

At this time, we would like to thank Ms. Young for her dedication to our students, our school and our community. We wish her success in all of her future endeavours and hope to see her back in our community in the future. We ask that you keep her in your prayers as she begins the next chapter of her life.



Agape Street Ministry

This Catholic Christian Street Outreach Ministry helps the women on the streets of Vancouver who have fallen into despair.

We will be collecting candies for the ladies, so please bring some halloween candy that your children collected to the office by November 12th. Our grade 7 students will then sort through the candy, make candy bags and add a message of God's love for them. Thank you for your donation!

<https://agapestreetministry.org/about-us/>

Archdiocesan Men's Hostel

Over 2000 men are hosted every year in the Emergency Homeless Shelter. This ministry needs our help now more then ever as the cold and wet weather has arrived.

We will be collecting new socks, underwear, scarves, gloves and toques for the men. Please bring any of those items to the office by November 26th. Thank you for working with us to bring some comfort to the men of Vancouver.

<https://rcav.org/mens-hostel/>

CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING FOR OUR SCHOOL

This Winter we are selling beautiful, locally-grown plants to help raise money for our programs. Please visit the following website to see what is available and then place your order online.

<https://stpatrikselementary.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home>

By purchasing a beautiful plant, not only will you be spreading holiday cheer, you will also be supporting an amazing cause right here in our community. This is another opportunity to meet your fundraising commitment if you have not already done so.



FRIENDLY REMINDERS

VISITORS and School Safety

Doors at the side of the school are locked for security purposes. Recently we have had some situations that have required us to be even more vigilant with the use of the side doors. Due to these situations, only students and staff are allowed to enter and exit through the side doors. All other personnel MUST enter and exit through the front door.

Washrooms in the basement are for STUDENT USE ONLY! There is a specific washroom dedicated for use of non-student personnel in emergencies only. This is strict rule, and will be strictly enforced. Please see the office for exact directions to the non-student washroom, there will be no exceptions to this rule.

REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY

On Thursday, November 7th at 10:45 a.m. in the school gymnasium we will honor the service people in the armed forces who served in battle. The grade 7 students will lead the assembly followed by a short presentation from each class. We invite parents and grandparents to wear their poppies, offer a moment of silence and honor to those who fought to keep us safe and free. These service people are truly peacekeepers.



CONGRATULATIONS

WALK-A-THON

We were blessed to have such wonderful weather for our walk-a-thon this year. The sun was shining, our students were happy, the teachers were walking and Father was being chauffeured around in the back of a police car.

This was our 36th walk-a-thon and once again our fantastic community came out to support us. We are pleased to announce that the school raised \$22,860.00. As in past years, this fundraiser has generated much-needed funds to help enhance and support your children's learning.



Thank you to Ms. Laureles for designing the Celtic T-shirt, it was fantastic! Please remember that students are allowed to wear their walk-a-thon t-shirt as their P.E. Uniform. Also, a reminder to the kindergarten class, please listen carefully for special days when you will be asked to wear your Celtic walk-a-thon t-shirt!

Congratulations to all our winners

T-shirts: Kinder – 17, Grade 1 – 22, Grade 2 – 23, Grade 3 – 17, Grade 4 – 25, Grade 5 – 23, Grade 6 – 20, Grade 7 - 27

Class Prize (dress down day, popcorn and movie) awarded to Kindergarten.

Cineplex Card: Lathu Gajendran **Lego Card:** Adria Richards **Best Buy Card:** Tristan Rivera

Lunch with Mrs. Sorochnik: (White Spot Pirate Packs)

Kindergarten: Sabine Ocampo, Corey Strudwick, Tahari Villafuerte Grade 1: Keifer Duncan, Kayla Wust, Rielle Yatco

Grade 2: Sibella Brehaut, Adam Herbstreit Grade 3: Lily Junio

Grade 4: James Auclair-Troughton, Veronica Herbstreit, Peter Lee, Ethan Mukhopadkyay, Skye Ocampo, Lucas Wortman

Grade 5: Noah Ball, Jakob Hardy Grade 6: Brooklyn Caratao, Kaela Delos Santos, Tristan Rivera

Grade 7: Brianna Ho

1st Prize (Apple Gift Card): Corey Strudwick and Brooklyn Caratao

HALLOWEEN

We celebrated halloween on Thursday October 31st. It was a fun day for both students and staff where even I was able to enjoy my day trick or treating to each class. The staff came together and joined forces dressed as some of our favorite super heroes to battle the students, ultimately winning and forcing our educational lessons into their minds, great success!!! muuaahhhh

We raised \$350.50 For Chalice. Thank you for your support.

Congratulations to the following students who won the costume competition. They all received a \$10.00 gift card to the book fair.

Grade 7: Nathaniel & Gabby Grade 6: Alina & Jayden Grade 5: Yuvraj & Kiara

Grade 4: Ava & Peter Lee Grade 3: Eli Que & Xavier Grade 2: Ioanard & Sibella

Grade 1: Ethan & Cullen Kindergarten: Christine & Robert

Overall: Adelle Grade 3 Happy Reading!



BOOK FAIR The annual Scholastic Book Fair was held October 28th 2019 through to Friday, November 1st 2019. Once again, our community showed remarkable support. I hope your children will enjoy reading all those books that you purchased for them.

Thank you to all the parents that helped prepare, sell and supervise at the Book Fair. We could not have done it without you!

May God bless you!

Diane Sorochnik, Principal



HALLOWEEN AT
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
27	28 Book Fair 	29 Book Fair, Open House, Hot Lunch Order : Calhoun, PEC Meeting	30 Book Fair, 2:30 pm dismissal	31 Book Fair, Halloween Costume Carnival and Fundraiser \$2.00 to participate, Hot Dog Lunch, 12:00 pm Costume Parade, 1:00 pm Dismissal	1 8:15 am Mass, All Saints Day, Book Fair 	2	
3	4 Photo Retakes	5 Volleyball Girls Finals @ Harry , Hot Lunch: Pizza 	6 2:30 pm dismissal	7 Remembrance Day Service led by grade 7, Hot Lunch: Mexican	8 NO SCHOOL 	9	
10	11 Remembrance Day Holiday, NO SCHOOL 	12 Hot Lunch: Sushi	13 2:30 pm dismissal	14 Field trip Grades 4-7, Hot Lunch: Mexican	15 8:15 am Mass 	16	
17 Grade 2: Rite of Enrollment Mass 9:00 a.m.	18 No Uniform, Students may wear Fall colors 	19 Volleyball Boys Finals @ Harry Jerome, Hot Lunch: Pizza 	20 2:30 pm dismissal, Confirmation Orientation Parent Meeting 7:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.	21 Hot Lunch: Mexican	22 CISVA Networking Day Professional Devel NO CLASSES 	23	
24 Grade 7: Investiture Candidates & Parent Mass 9:00 a.m.	25	26 PEC Meeting 5:00 pm, Hot Lunch: Pizza	27 2:30 pm dismissal, Communicating Student Learning 1 to parents 	28 Hot Lunch: Mexican	29 8:15 am Mass 	30 	
1 	2 Advent Assembly	Notes <h1>I can walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.</h1>					